

Sunday July 2nd & July 9th 2023

Long Walk July 2nd – Glas Maol (1068m), Cairn of Claise (1064m), Tolmount (958m) and Carn an t-Sagairt Mor (1047m)

Supported by **hired coach**, a high level A to B walk from Glenshee Ski area (NO 142775) to Keiloch (NO 189912). The walk starts with an initial steep ascent on track to Meall Odhar then a good path to Glas Maol. NE on path to Cairn of Claise theny a pathless section to Tolmount, dropping to cross Jock's Road and northwards over the rarely visited Fafernie to join a track to Carn an t-Sagairt Mor. From here a steep descent to reach a good path dropping down alongside the Feindallacher Burn and finally through the Ballochbuie Forest to Keiloch car park **Total distance 24 km, Ascent 890 m, Approx. 8 hrs. OS Map 43,44.**

Good fitness level is required for some rough sections and a long day.

Meet at the bus stop opposite Culter Village Hall, North Deeside Road, Peterculter for a prompt departure at 8:00am. Return to Culter around 7:30pm. A coach fee of £12 for members and £15 non-members will be payable. Book through Long Walk Coordinator John Adams by end of Sunday 25th June.

Short Walk July 2nd – Carn an t-Sagairt (1047m) from Auchallater

Supported by hired coach, a shorter A-B walk on track and good path, with only a short section of easy off path. We will be dropped off by the bus at Auchallater. We visit Loch Callater and its bothy (and public toilet), then climb in an easy traverse above the loch before the final ascent of Carn an t-Sagairt. Aircraft wreckage may be visited, close to the summit. We descend by the same route as the long walk to Keiloch (see above)

Tot' dist@ 17km. Asc' 716m, Approx. 7 hrs, at a leisurely pace. OS 43/44. Reasonable level of fitness required.

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Book through the walks co-ordinator Sue Callan by end of Sunday 25th June

Sunday Saunter July 9th - Craig Leek Circuit NO186931

Start Invercauld car park Keiloch NO188913. £3.00. We'll take the estate road past Invercauld House, to Altdourie NO166932, uphill to the cross roads NO165936 bearing right (north east) over the shoulder of Little Elrick and down to the Alt Dourie NO174942. Continue NE to junction at NO179947 there turning right (south). Watch out for the turning (left) NO179941 between Meall Gorm and Craig Leek. At the bealach a path leads to the summit of Craig Leek (an option to this walk with a short steeper section but mostly easy going). Return to the bealach, continue east downhill taking the right-hand fork at NO191939. This is only shown on the 1:25,000 map but it's clear as the direct route to the broad glen/upper reaches of Felagie Burn. Track meets the forest road back to Keiloch at NO197926 with the final 1.5km of the walk a downhill stroll back to the car park.

Total distance 12 km. Ascent 250/350m Approx. 5 hrs. Meet at Keiloch car park 10.00am. Bookings by Thurs July 6th.

Walkers must wear walking boots (gaiters essential), carry WARM and waterproof clothing, hat and gloves and take plenty of food and liquids.

Culter hillwalking club has no members who are qualified leaders or instructors. Therefore anyone volunteering to assist the club on a walk cannot be held responsible for other members' welfare. Members must be aware they are solely responsible for themselves at all times. Hillwalking and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury and death. Those participating in these activities should be aware of the risks and accept the responsibility for their own actions and involvement. No responsibility can be accepted by Culter Hillwalking club committee, members, guests or co-ordinators of walks for any mishap, which may occur, during a walk. Dog owners must ensure that their dogs are on a short lead at all times.

